



09-06-05

IFW

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail, Airbill No. EV711313370US, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

Dated: September 1, 2005

Signature:

Laurie Brown
(Laurie Brown)

Docket No.: 57493(47798)
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
William T. Townsend et al.

Application No.: 10/672,888

Confirmation No.: 9563

Filed: September 26, 2003

Art Unit: 3652

For: INTELLIGENT, SELF-CONTAINED
ROBOTIC HAND

Examiner: D. J. Kramer

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed August 1, 2005, applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-31, drawn to a robotic device, classified in class 294, subclass 106, for continued examination, without traverse.

Applicants understand that Group II, Claims 32-38, drawn to a process for anodizing, classified in class 205, subclass 324, will be withdrawn.

Dated: September 1, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

By

Peter J. Manus

Peter J. Manus

Registration No.: 26,766

EDWARDS & ANGELL, LLP

P.O. Box 55874

Boston, Massachusetts 02205

(617) 439-4444

Attorneys/Agents For Applicant